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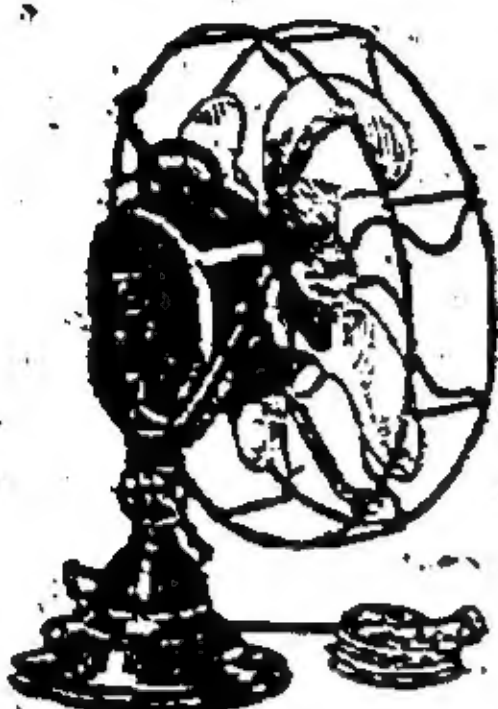
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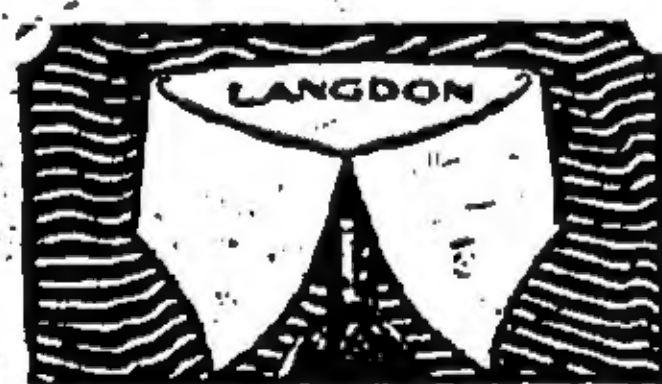
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TO-DAY'S CABLES.

(Reader's Service to the China Mail)

IRISH PEACE PROSPECTS.

SIR JAMES CRAIG'S MEETING WITH DE VALERA.

A HOPEFUL AUGURY.

LONDON, May 6.

The official report of the conference between Sir James Craig and the Ulster loyalist party, candidates at Belfast states that Sir James Craig, referring to his meeting with Mr. De Valera, declared that Ulster by accepting and undertaking to work the provisions of the Home Rule Act had reached the limit of concession. No further discussion could be entered into. When the parliament had been established and the Council of Ireland constituted there would be a necessary constitutional link between Northern Ireland and Southern Ireland.

LONDON, May 6.

Dying hopes of early peace in Ireland have been rekindled by the meeting between Sir James Craig and Mr. De Valera which both Unionist and Nationalist Irish newspapers welcome as a sign of approaching peace. It transpires that the meeting on which Sir James Craig is reported to the Ulster Unionist Party conference at Belfast was due to Mr. De Valera's initiative.

Captain Dixon, M.P., in a speech at East Belfast, paid a tribute to Sir James Craig's pluck in going alone unarmed to meet De Valera in the enemy camp far from Dublin. Influential circles emphasize that the meeting was in no way an outcome of the so-called secret peace moves by the Government, but it is stated on good authority that if joint representations are made to the Cabinet on behalf of Ireland the suggestion of an amending bill based on proposals agreed by either side would be considered.

BRITISH SHIPPING.

STEWARDS REFUSE TO ACCEPT REDUCED WAGES.

A HOLD-UP THREATENED.

LONDON, May 7.

A hold-up of British shipping is being threatened by ship stewards and cooks at all ports refusing to sail on reduced wage terms equaling 50s. a month, in spite of the federated body's agreement.

G.P.S.S.

FORMER GERMAN LINERS BOUGHT.

NEW BOAT FOR PACIFIC.

LONDON, May 6.

Britain has sold to the Canadian Pacific Railway the former German liners "Koenig-Viktoria" and "Prinz Friedrich Wilhelm." The former will be renamed "Empress of Scotland" and will ply between Quebec and Liverpool. The latter will be renamed "Empress of China" and will ply between Vancouver and Yokohama.

ALLIED COUNCILS.

AMERICA APPOINTS UNOFFICIAL REPRESENTATIVES.

WASHINGTON, May 7.

The administration has decided to appoint an unofficial representative to the Supreme Council and the Ambassadors' Council. A further message states that Mr. Roland Boyden, now American Commissioner in Paris, will represent America on the Reparations Commission.

TURMOIL IN UPPER SILESIA.

POLISH INSURRECTION SPREADING.

LONDON, May 7.

Reuter learns that according to the latest advice received in London the insurrection in Upper Silesia is spreading considerably. The Polish Legation in London states that the Polish Government is doing its utmost to discourage the rising and has ordered the strict closing of the Polish and Upper Silesian frontiers in order to prevent communication. The insurgents have reached a line from Gliwicz to Cosel Canal and occupied Oppeln, Gliwicz, and Beuthen. There are 3,000 rebels in Rybnik alone. The plebiscite commission has declined the German request for help to quell the disturbances.

AEROPLANES FOR JAVA.

PROJECTED FLIGHT FROM HOLLAND IMPROBABLE.

LONDON, May 6.

The aircraft disposal board has received an order for 40 aeroplanes for use in Java.

THE HAGUE, May 6.

It is almost certain that the Dutch naval Lieutenant Goedhart will not be able to carry out the projected flight to the East Indies in consequence of difficulties of flying across Mesopotamia.

COTTON WAGES FALL.

SPINNING OPERATIVES TO LOSE 30 PER CENT.

LONDON, May 6.

The federation of master cotton spinners has decided to notify 150,000 operatives of a 30 per cent. reduction in wages. An advance of 28 per cent was granted a year ago since when the cotton spinning trade has been very depressed. Cotton manufacturers are expected to serve similar notices on their 250,000 operatives.

CHINESE ENVOY VISITS LORD CURZON.

LONDON, May 7.

Mr. Chu Chi Chien called to see Lord Curzon at the Foreign Office having previously been unable to meet him. They were engaged together over an hour.

THE DOLLAR.

To-day's closing rate 2/6 5/8
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CORRESPONDENCE.

CONSTITUTIONAL REFORM.

(To the Editor of the "China Mail.")

Sir,—No more important question than that of Constitutional Reform could occupy the attention of the community of Hongkong. The reform of the constitution is a condition essential to every other reform of importance. Reform of the system of taxation is essential to any real improvement in local conditions. Taxation is at the bottom of the Housing Question, the question of Public Health and the Education Question. But, except in so far as it may promote knowledge, discussion of taxation is useless under the system of government that obtains in Hongkong. If every member of the Legislative Council knew exactly how taxation should be levied, it would be of no avail at present. They could not impose such taxation. There is a conundrum "Why are Governments like wheelbarrows?" to which the answer is "Because they go whichever way they are pushed." A very small number of people here have all the pushing power. The great mass have no power whatever. The few are pushing the Government against the many all the time. What is required is that the many get power to resist and push the "wheelbarrow" the other way. It is not good enough to extend political power to a few extra specially selected persons who may represent the Chamber of Commerce or the Non-official Justices of the Peace or any other limited section of the community. All the un-official members of the Legislative Council should be elected on a franchise similar to that which decides British Parliamentary elections. There should be votes for women as well as for men.

By far the most objectionable of the new taxes is that levied on houses. In face of existing housing conditions and present high rents and the relationship between housing conditions and Public Health it is a most iniquitous tax. It puts an intolerable burden on the very poorest. It squeezes an already overcrowded population yet more closely together. And in a climate like that of Hongkong the effects upon child life, if known, would be appalling. Yet so little do the representatives of the Chamber of Commerce and the Non-official Justices of the Peace represent the general community that when this tax was proposed in the Legislative Council they were as silent as if they were dumb, although afterwards they were eloquent enough in their opposition to far less obnoxious proposals. It may not be an easy matter to get the constitution reformed but it can be reformed properly just as easily as it can be botched up with inadequate and partial alterations. We require such a reform as will give us representatives of the whole British Community—not of a particular section. Let the leaders of the Constitutional Reform Association drop the proposals for special representation and work for a really democratic reform, and they will deserve active support from the public here. And after a general election in Great Britain, with a more democratic government than the present one in power there is no reason why the constitution should not be reformed on democratic lines. But the democratic element is sufficiently strong even in the present Parliament to prevent the attainment of such a one-sided alteration as that now proposed by the C. B. A.

Yours respectfully,

J. H. MCGUIRAN.

Hongkong, May 6, 1921.

Warren-Engineer M. Crawford, from the home station, has been appointed to the light cruiser "Cardale," China Station.

The late Mr. George Jamieson, C.M.G., of Onslow-square, S.W., formerly Consul-General at Shanghai and acting Chief Justice of the Supreme Court for China and Japan, a director of the British and Chinese Corporation, Ltd., Chinese Central Railway, Ltd., Langsai Valley Co., Ltd., and Gals. Kahunpong Rubber Estates, Ltd., left estate of the gross value of £11,926.

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My dear Children,

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Grace Ho Tung and S. G. Sung, to
whom a silver pen each is being
sent. They were both very neatly
written and well spelt.I must mention Wan Tao Shing's
story too which was also carefully
written.The stories are being printed for
you all to see.Your loving,
PETER PAN.THE ELVES AND THE SHOE-
MAKER.There was once a shoemaker who
worked very hard, and who was very
honest. Yet he could not earn
enough to live upon, and at last all
he had in the world was gone—
except just enough leather to make
one pair of shoes. In the evening he
cut out the leather, meaning to set
up early in the morning to work.In the morning he set down to his
work but what did he see? The
pair of shoes already made! There
they were on his work bench. The
poor man could scarcely believe his
eyes and did not know what to say.He took up the shoes to look at them
more closely. There was not a false
stitch in them. They were just like
the shoes made for a prize. Just
that day a customer came, and the
shoes pleased him so well that he
willingly paid a higher price than
usual for them. With the money
the shoemaker was able to buy
leather for two pairs more. In the
evening he cut out the work and
went to bed. Next morning the
work was already done. Presently
some customers came who paid him
for his goods so that he bought
leather enough for four pairs more.As it went on one evening about
Christmas time as he and his wife
were talking together, he said to his
wife, "I should like to sit up and
watch to-night, that we may see who
it is that comes and does my work
for me." The wife liked the idea.
So they left the light and hid them-
selves in the corner of the room and
began to ply with their little fingers.
This surprised the shoemaker very
much. On they went till the task
was quite finished and they went
away as quick as lightning. The next
day the wife said to her husband that
she would make each of them a shirt
a coat and a waistcoat, and she
asked him to make a pair of little
shoes each for them. The thought
pleased the good shoemaker very
much and one evening, when all the
things were ready they laid them on
the table instead of the work. When
the two dwarfs came they saw there
was no work for them to do and they
saw the clothes lying there for them.
They laughed and were greatly
delighted. Then they dressed them-
selves in the twinkling of an eye and
danced and sprang as merry as could
be till at last they danced out of the
door over the green. The shoemaker
saw them no more! But everything
went well with him from that time
forward as he lived.(Signed) Grace Ho Tung,
Age 11.

GETTING BREAD AND BUTTER.

The rain comes pouring pelting down,
My Mother sighs, "An't go to town,
But bread and butter must be got.
So Daddy runs off like a shot.
For even if it should snow ink
My Daddy would go off I think.
It's much more fun to have to go
Than stay at home all day you know!"Mr. Bigger had a baby. Which was
the bigger, Mr. Bigger or the
baby?Mr. Bigger, because he was far the
bigger (Father Bigger).There were two Bigger children.
Which was the bigger?The baby, because he was a little
bigger (Bigger).Mr. Bigger died. Who was then the
bigger?Mr. Bigger, because he was far the
bigger still (Father Bigger still).

THE ANTS MOVE HOUSE.

A tribe of ants who were living in
a garden on the edge of a tennis
lawn were one day very upset.They were running about busily as
usual when all of a sudden the ground
began to shake and their houses fell
to pieces. It was only the gardener
coming along with the mowing
machine, but it was rather an upset-
ting affair.(Signed) S. C. Sung,
Age 13.

THE ENCHANTED HORSE.

Once upon a time in Persia, the
King was giving a feast. When it
was drawing to night an Indian came
along and said he had an enchanted
horse whose power could carry him
wherever he went. And the King
told his son, the Prince of Persia to
try it.He mounted the horse and was
soon up among the clouds, he was
feeling very miserable when suddenly
he discovered a peg. So he turned
it and down he flew till he reached
the gates of a palace, so softly the
Prince dismounted and crept in.Soon he came to a Princess lying
on a sofa, softly he kissed her and
then the Princess called for her slaves
and told them to bring him food and
told the Prince to stay that night.
So the Prince stayed a few days
longer and soon went home with the
Princess of Persia to his home. On
their way they met the Indian and
he told her that the King wanted to
see him alone and told him to stay
with the Princess for a little while.But no sooner had the Prince gone
than he flew away with the Princess
on the enchanted horse. When the
Prince heard it he began searching
for the Princess.When the Indian had gone a long
way he got some food for the Princess
to eat. Suddenly the Princess heard
a tramping of horses feet and she
screamed aloud for help. The man
came near and cut off the Indians
head and took her to his house and
fixed the wedding day. But the
Princess would not have it and pre-
tended to be mad, all the doctors
could not cure her till one day a
doctor said he could cure her if he
was left alone with her, then he told
her that he was the Prince and they
embraced each other. So the next
day they were going on the enchanted
horse the next day and went back
to Persia, where they lived ever
afterwards happy.(Signed) Grace Ho Tung,
Age 11.

OLD SEA SUPERSTITIONS.

SHIPS' NAMES.

CHANGES AND MISFORTUNE.

There is an old sea superstition to
the effect that to name a ship after
one that has been lost is to court
disaster. Some companies pay the
strictest regard to it, while others
care nothing for such things. But
every now and again instances occur
which make one wonder if the old
shellbacks had not some semblance
of reason for their beliefs. For
instance, take the case of the Greek
steamer "Gregorios," which struck
a mine off the Spanish coast, and
sank while being towed to port.
Until last year she was the turret-
deck steamer "Grindon Hall." Her pre-
decessor was that "Grindon Hall"
whose disappearance at sea while on
the way home with a cargo of grain
from the Black Sea was the cause of
a good deal of public prejudice—much
of it undeserved—against the turret-
deck system of construction. That
certainly seems to back up the
superstition, but sailors may find
reason to ask why it was that her
bad luck did not find her out until
she no longer bore the name of Ill-
omen, unless they stop to remember
that there is another, equally old
superstition which says that no good
fortune will ever attend a ship if her
name is changed.At once the ants begin to burrow
in the earth, and before very long
they were all safe and sound in their
new houses. Then they had a good
rest after their hurried journey and
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OLD SEA SUPERSTITIONS.

SHIPS' NAMES.

CHANGES AND MISFORTUNE.

There is an old sea superstition to
the effect that to name a ship after
one that has been lost is to court
disaster. Some companies pay the
strictest regard to it, while others
care nothing for such things. But
every now and again instances occur
which make one wonder if the old
shellbacks had not some semblance
of reason for their beliefs. For
instance, take the case of the Greek
steamer "Gregorios," which struck
a mine off the Spanish coast, and
sank while being towed to port.
Until last year she was the turret-
deck steamer "Grindon Hall." Her pre-
decessor was that "Grindon Hall"
whose disappearance at sea while on
the way home with a cargo of grain
from the Black Sea was the cause of
a good deal of public prejudice—much
of it undeserved—against the turret-
deck system of construction. That
certainly seems to back up the
superstition, but sailors may find
reason to ask why it was that her
bad luck did not find her out until
she no longer bore the name of Ill-
omen, unless they stop to remember
that there is another, equally old
superstition which says that no good
fortune will ever attend a ship if her
name is changed.Why Suffer
Pain?SLOAN'S LINIMENT will
soothe and give you in-
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PUBLIC AUCTIONS

THE Underigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction,
(For account of the concerned)

TUESDAY,

May 10, 1921, at 10.30 a.m.,
at No. 1, Cox's Path, Cox's Road,
Kowloon.

Valuable Household Furniture,
etc., etc., etc.,
therein contained.

Including Pantry and Kitchen
Utensils, etc.,
(Full Particulars from Catalogue).
Terms:—Cash.

HUGHES & HOUGH,
Auctioneers.
Hongkong, May 3, 1921.

(FOR ACCOUNT OF THE CONCERNED),

TUESDAY,

May 10, 1921, commencing at 2.30
p.m., at their Sales Rooms, No. 8,
Des Vaux Road, Corner of
Lee House Street.

**AN ASSORTMENT OF
Superior Household Linens, etc.,**
Comprising:—

Embossed and Scalloped Pillow
Cases, Bed Sheet, 72-in. and 90-in.
wide, White Satin Quilts, Bed Valances,
Damask Table Cloths and Serviettes,
Turkish Towels, Bath Sheets, Hack-
back Towels, Crochet and Drawwork
Doilies, White Calico, Ladies' and
Gent's Handkerchiefs.

And
A number of Marble Statuettes,
Terms:—Cash.

HUGHES & HOUGH,
Auctioneers.
Hongkong, May 4, 1921.

(FOR ACCOUNT OF THE CONCERNED),

TUESDAY,

May 10, 1921, commencing at
2.30 p.m., at their Sales Rooms,
No. 8, Des Vaux Road, Corner of
Lee House Street.

**TEAKWOOD AND BLACKWOOD FURNI-
TURE, BRASS AND TEAKWOOD TWIN
BEDSTEADS, CARPETS,**
etc., etc., etc.,

comprising:—
Dining Suites, Mirror back Side-
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Chesterfield Sofa, Arm-chairs (new),
Card and Occasional Tables, One Up-
holstered Suite, Bedroom Furniture
comprising Teakwood Twin Bedsteads,
large and small Wardrobes, Dressing
Tables and Chairs, Washstands, etc.,
Dinner Services, Crockery, and Glass
Ware, Cooking Stoves, Cutlery.

Electric Reading Lamps, Screens,
Sundry Blackwood Furniture, Side
Tables, Chairs, Cabinets, Pictures, etc.

Also
Several New Heavy Brass Bedsteads.
(Full Particulars from Catalogue).
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PUBLIC AUCTIONS.

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PUBLIC AUCTION.

PARTICULARS and Conditions of
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INTIMATIONS.

HONGKONG CRICKET CLUB.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that
a **GENERAL MEETING** of
Members will be held in the pavilion of
the Club on **TUESDAY**, the 10th May,
1921, at 5.30 p.m. for the purpose of
confirming the following resolutions
which were passed at an extraordinary
general meeting of members held on
the 14th day of April, 1921.

1. That the present Hongkong
Cricket Club be wound up and
the Committee be authorised to
take all necessary steps for the
purpose.

2. That the Committee be authorised
to register a Company limited by
guarantee not exceeding \$100 per
member, on the terms of the
Memorandum and Articles of
Association which will be submitted
to the Meeting.

3. That the Committee be authorised
to assign and hand over to the
new Company, when registered all
the assets of the Club.

By Order of the Committee.
L. S. GREENHILL,
Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, May 2, 1921.

**CONSTITUTIONAL REFORM ASSO-
CIATION OF HONGKONG.**

NOTICE.

**THE FOURTH ORDINARY AN-
NUAL GENERAL MEETING** of the
Constitutional Reform Association of
Hongkong will be held in the old
Chamber of Commerce Room, City Hall,
on **WEDNESDAY**, 11th day of May,
1921, at 6.15 p.m., for the following
purposes:—

To receive the Report of the Com-
mittee and Statement of Accounts to
31st December, 1920.

To consider the following resolu-
tions:—

(1) That all the non-Chinese members
of the Legislative Council be
elected.

(2) That a larger electoral body, be
adopted in the case of all such
non-Chinese members with the
exception of the Representative of
the Hongkong General Chamber of
Commerce.

(3) That there be an unofficial majority
on the Legislative Council with
such safeguards as are provided in
the Constitution of Ceylon.

(4) That a petition be sent to the
House of Commons asking for the
support of the Members in securing
the above change in the Legislative
Council.

To elect the Officers and Committee
for the ensuing year.

By Order of the Committee.
L. M. WHITE,
Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, May 7, 1921.

**UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF
CANTON, LIMITED.**

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that
the 48th ORDINARY YEARLY
MEETING of the Society will be held
at its Head Office, Nos. 3 and 4, Queen's
Buildings, Hongkong, on **FRIDAY**,
May 27th, 1921, at 12.30 p.m., for the
purpose of receiving the Report of the
Directors together with the Statements
of Account to 31st December, 1920,
and of declaring Dividends, etc.

The **TRANSFER BOOKS** of the
Society will be **CLOSED** from 14th
May to 27th May, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
C. MONTAGUE EDE,
General Manager.

Hongkong, May 5, 1921.

**BRITISH TRADERS' INSURANCE
COMPANY, LIMITED.**

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that
the 55th ORDINARY YEARLY
MEETING of the Company will be held
at its Head Office, Nos. 3 and 4, Queen's
Buildings, Hongkong, on **FRIDAY**,
May 27th, 1921, at 12.30 p.m., for the
purpose of receiving the Report of the
Directors together with the Statements
of Account to 31st December, 1920,
and of declaring Dividends, etc.

The **TRANSFER BOOKS** of the
Company will be **CLOSED** from 14th
May to 27th May, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
C. MONTAGUE EDE,
General Manager.

Hongkong, May 5, 1921.

**THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE
COMPANY, LIMITED.**

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that
the 52nd ORDINARY YEARLY
MEETING of the Company will be held
at its Head Office, Nos. 3 and 4, Queen's
Buildings on **FRIDAY**, May
27th, 1921, at 12.45 p.m., for the pur-
pose of receiving the Report of the
Directors together with the Statements
of Account to 31st December, 1920,
and of declaring Dividends, etc.

The **TRANSFER BOOKS** of the
Company will be **CLOSED** from 14th
May to 27th May, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
C. MONTAGUE EDE,
General Manager.

Hongkong, May 5, 1921.

INTIMATIONS.

**HONGKONG & SHANGHAI
BANKING CORPORATION.**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that
an **EXTRAORDINARY MEET-
ING** of the **SHAREHOLDERS** of the
HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING
CORPORATION will be held at the **CITY
HALL, Hongkong**, on **SATURDAY**,
the 28th day of May, 1921, at **NOON**,
for the purpose of considering and if
thought fit of passing the following
resolutions:—

1. That the Directors of the Hongkong
& Shanghai Banking Corporation be
and they are hereby requested
and authorised by and on behalf
of the shareholders of the Com-
pany to take the steps necessary
for the introduction of an Ordina-
ry Resolution of the Legislative Council
of the Colony of Hongkong and
for the enactment of the same by
the Governor of Hongkong with
the advice and consent of the
Legislative Council thereof to effect
the amendments necessary to the
Ordinance under which the Com-
pany is incorporated and carrying
on business so as to allow of the
capital of the Company being
from time to time increased from
30 millions of dollars the present
authorised capital of the Company
to 50 millions of dollars.

2. That the Capital of the Hongkong
& Shanghai Banking Corporation be
forthwith increased from
\$15,000,000 to \$50,000,000 by the
creation of 40,000 New Shares of
\$125 each to be issued at the
price of \$70 on the terms after
mentioned. Shareholders on the day on which
the instalments are due.

3. That the said New Shares be in the
first instance, in such manner as
the Directors shall prescribe for
that purpose, offered to share-
holders in the proportion of one
New Share for every three shares
of which on the 28th day of May,
1921, Shareholders shall respectively
be the registered holders,
and that any New Shares not
accepted by Shareholders within
the time limited by the Directors
for that purpose be disposed of
and allotted by the Directors in
such manner and at such price as
in their discretion they shall think
best in the interests of the Com-
pany.

4. That the payment of the sum of
\$70 per share for each of the said
New Shares be made as follows,
viz:—

1st instalment of \$35 on the
1st day of July, 1921.

2nd and final instalment of \$35
on the 1st day of October,
1921.

5. That the Directors issue to Share-
holders, holding shares less than
or not a multiple of three, a frac-
tional certificate in respect of each
share less than three or in excess
of a multiple of three and allot
one New Share to every person
who shall produce three such
Fractional Certificates on or before
the 1st day of July, 1921, and
pay the first instalment in respect
thereof.

6. That after payment of the instal-
ment, and pending payment of
the remaining instalment, Scrip
Certificates in such form as the
Directors may determine be issued
in respect of such New Shares,
entitling the holders on payment
of the remaining instalment, and
subject to such other terms as to
approval, date for lodging scrip
certificates and otherwise as the
Directors may prescribe, to be
registered as the owner of the
shares respectively represented by
such Scrip Certificates.

7. That interest at the rate of 6 per
cent. per annum be allowed out
of the profits of the Company on
instalments paid in advance of the
dates when the same become due,
and that registered holders of
Scrip Certificates for New Shares
be entitled in respect of such New
Shares to participate in future
dividends on an equality with the
old shares, in proportion to the
instalments paid up, and from due
dates for payment of same.

8. That interest at the rate of 8 per
centum per annum be charged on
each instalment not punctually
paid, and be paid with each such
instalment.

9. That all moneys received from
premium on the said New Shares
be added to the Sterling Reserve
Fund.

FOR THE HONGKONG & SHANGHAI
BANKING CORPORATION,
A. G. STEPHEN,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, April 23, 1921.

THE PEACE TREATY.

A SOLDIER'S VIEWS.

"SORRIEST OF SEQUELS TO VICTORY."

Fatal Versailles! Not a line—not
one line in your Treaty to show that
those boys had been any better than
the Emperors: not one line to stand
for the kindness of England: not one
word to bring back some memory of
the generosity of her sons.

One beautiful gesture might have
lifted this civilisation on to a higher
plane and have given it a fresh lease
of life—the gesture familiar to every
public schoolboy in England of the
victor holding out his hand.

—General Sir Ian Hamilton.
General Sir Ian Hamilton, the famous
general and man of letters, has taken
a remarkable occasion in which to
rebut the Diplomats for the Treaty
of Versailles, and the striking words
quoted above are from his rebuke.

The article from which they are
taken appeared in a fine John Keats
Memorial Volume, which Mr. John
Lane has just published. He takes
two lines from Keats, and uses them
with tremendous effect in this way:

Beauty is truth, truth beauty—that
is all
Ye know on earth and all ye need
to know.

OUR YOUTH AND AN IDEA.
Never, since Peter the Hermit
preached, has our youth been so
sweet off its feet by an idea, says Sir
Ian. Already the story seems too
incredible to be put into words—the
story that all eyes in those armies of
1914 were opened for awhile to
Keats's Principle of Beauty.

The angel which beckoned to those
boys who were dead was one whose
visage was most beautiful. The
whole sky had opened, and they saw
her clearly. To each she showed
something which made appeal to
what best within himself.

I know that we strayed awhile
after the mere simulacra of beauty;
that "Ambition, pale of cheek and
ever watchful," may at that very
time have been climbing on to the
bridge of our ship of State; that it
was Adventure with glowing hand
which cast the iron dice when cold
Science should have set our steady
course; that Glory, Romance, and a
desire to be worthy of a woman's
love had charmed vast numbers of
the crew, to sail, spellbound, over the
"perilous seas."

I know, too—who better?—how
many have emptied their veins into
the Aegean so that the White Egean
might float over the Golden Horn—
and yet—it is God's own truth that
we turned to no vain imaginings
when the struggle grew desperate
and stark. These had been but
Ministers leading us towards Hope.

In that darkest hour Hope upheld
us in her arms: Hope of a better
world; Hope of striking at the
roots of war by some unheard-
of act of magnanimity; Hope that
the patrons of the War theatre
might, from their dress circle seats,
learn to understand the tortured minds
of their Generals, tortured bodies of
their men; might use their moment
of omnipotence—when we won it for
them—to stop, these miseries for
ever by sowing, far and wide, visions,
ideas of beauty which never but for
our bright swords could be sown.

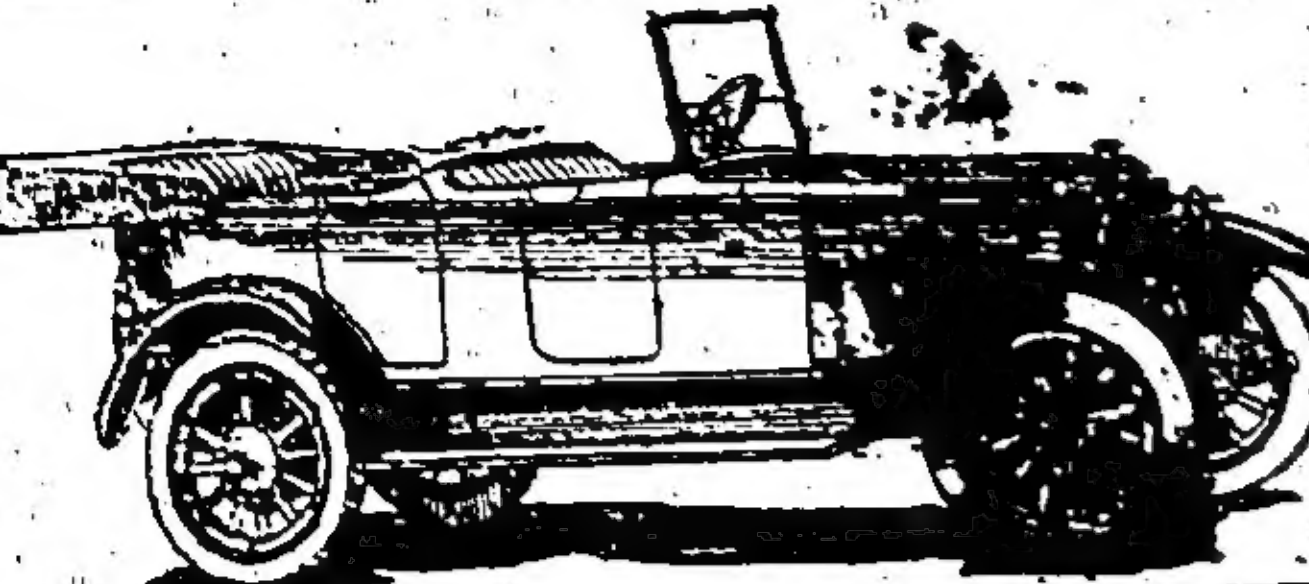
THE BLACK HEAVENS.
Hope was our lodestar; Hope
which, with all its uncompromising
effectual strength, is yet above all a
thing of beauty.

Who has quenched that new star
of Bethlehem which still throughout
the war went before the fighters giv-
ing them some respite from their
pain? Why is it that peace has sud-
denly made the vaulted heavens as
black as the socket from which some
fiend has torn the eye? What have
we done with those gems of beauty
Keats bequeathed to us still pulsating
with his divine fire?

That star went west with our
heroes: the machine-guns scythed
them down; amidst the mists of
death they disappeared; they bowed,
they fell down, and with them
sank their Star. The names of
those who followed it are growing
dark: politicians had the writing
of their epitaphs and dead men have
no votes.

When the Sun of Victory rose
over the field of Armageddon we
dreamed of a harvest of beauty.
That field had lain fallow for four
long years bedewed with the tears
of a generation, ploughed and har-
rowed without ceasing by the iron
implements of War. The soft bosom
of Mother Earth had been wounded
with hundreds, thousands, millions
of cruel furrows; the tilth was rich

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ADVERSARIA.

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have my support, without discrimination, because I am English, and ought to be patriotic first, and religious afterwards. I call that spishy-washy. Since I learned to read, I no longer use the spelling primer. Major-general Seely thinks that I should be "patriotic," and retain the primer as my favourite reading. He considers my desire for the more advanced literature "wishy-washy." That seems to me a fair analogy. Inasmuch as it is a fair and natural for men to be patriotic, that requiring no thought and no moral effort, there was no need for his speech, and no excuse for it. The "wishy-washy" internationalism of the chief champions of the League of Nations ideal is a fruit of intellectualism, struggling to sprout in an ungenial soil, and should not be lightly attacked or jeered at. It should be given its chance to grow. Not to give it its chance is unfair. As I read the Seely intolerance, I see folly as well as unfairness. It reveals in so bright a light the mental and moral superiority of the wishy-washy men, that Seely almost certainly goes to church. He is the sort of respectable statesman who would. He would lack the courage to denounce Christianity as wishy-washy, which it is by its reckoning. Jesus, by the Seely reckoning, was certainly a wishy-washy milkop, with a wishy-washy sentiment for Gentiles and outsiders, why does he not say so? Probably because he hasn't noticed it, because he didn't and doesn't think.

No people were the German less wishy-washy. EXAMPLE.

What, then the Germans. Are they to be our models? "Deutschland über alles"—my country above all, even above morality and humanity and civilized decency. The Fatherland and Gott strafe other people's fatherlands. Yes. That is undoubtedly the Seely teaching. You have seen how it worked, how insane it made the people obsessed by it. They scorned the wishy-washy scrap of paper and put their trust in brute force—all for the Fatherland—and what happened? The wishy-washy sentiment of the British for the Belgians sent them in. The wishy-washy attachment of France to Russia sent her in. Wish-wash about making the world safe for democracy brought the Americans in. It would have been cheaper and more profitable (surely a "patriotic" consideration) for them to have stayed out.

I see by this morning's Post that we comforters have in our harbour a motor boat, called "the Paula," 59ft. 10in. long, with a saloon piano, the comforts of a home, including "3 bunks." This is the first time I have seen twins described as home comforts. The little darlings, even when they come singly, somewhat disturb comfort. But perhaps at sea it's different.

REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE.

INTERESTING FIGURES.

The Government Gazette gives some interesting figures in a comparative statement of the revenue and expenditure from January 1st to 31st 1921. During the period the revenue was \$1,336,236.70 which is slightly below that for the same month last year when the figures were \$1,406,193.47. Expenditure for the month showed an increase. In January 1920 a sum of \$723,409.79 was expended while in the same month this year \$881,403.71 was disbursed. Increased revenue were made in light dues, the Courts, Post Office, and the Railway, while licences and internal revenue, rent of Government property, land and houses showed a falling off. In expenditure the Secretariat for Chinese Affairs, Botanical Research Department, and Military Expenditure were the only heads under which there were reductions. Police and Prisons in January 1920 cost \$489,599.53, this January they topped \$130,000. At the end of January there was a favourable balance of \$4,845,099.30.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Owing to the continued rain, League Bowls will not start to-day as arranged. The greens are far too "heavy."

The Government Gazette publishes the regulations for the protection of life and property in the harbour during typhoon weather.

The maximum temperature for April was 84.8 on the 27th, and the minimum was 60.5 on the 8th. The rainfall for the month was 2.820.

It is notified in the Gazette that the names of The Tai Tung Hotel Company, Ltd., and The Chi Chung Daily News, Ltd., have been struck off the Register.

The following is a statement of the securities lodged with the Crown Agents by the Mercantile Bank of India, Limited, against their notes in circulation—Security, Funding Loan; amount, £180,000; latest market price, £71.

It is notified in the Gazette that at the expiration of three months from this date the Wo Lok Company, Limited, will, unless cause is shown to the contrary, be struck off the Register and the Company will be dissolved.

The road beginning at Whitfield Road and running in a southerly direction along the Fraya and terminating at an unnamed street at the northern boundary of Hongkong Inland Lot No. 1588, will in future be known as Hing Fat Street.

The engagement is announced between Miss Edith M. P. Paxton, only daughter of the late Mr. George Paxton, Richardland House, Kilmarnock, N.B., and George Marshall (M.B.I.), second son of Mr. J. H. Marshall, St. Brelades, Jersey (late Netherhill, Aberdeen, Fife).

Mr. Alfred Thorner Ellis, of Walmer-road, Birkdale, Southport, who died on December 27, left estate of the gross value of £58,233, with net personality £34,288, of which £50,000 goes to the charitable or missionary institutions. Amongst the donations are £700 to the China Inland Mission and £200 to the Japan Evangelistic Band.

Rice merchants in Shanghai held a meeting at which it was decided to write to the rice guilds and contractors inland asking them not to sell rice to strangers. It is feared that unless prompt measures are taken, rice riots will break out as they did last year. The present price of rice far exceeds the price at this time last year.

According to a new rule made by the Governor in Council, all money or other effects brought into the prison by any prisoner, or sent to the prison for his use, which he is not entitled to retain, shall be placed in the custody of the Chief Warder, who shall keep an inventory of them in a separate Book. Articles of a perishable or dangerous nature may be destroyed.

Commander Francis B. Favell has been posted to Hongkong dockyard for duty from March 15. Commander Favell, who has been latterly employed at the Humber Naval Base as Admiralty Port Officer at Immingham, entered the naval service in 1894, specialised in navigation, was promoted lieutenant in 1901 and commander in 1914. When the late war opened, he was with the battleship "Hindustan," of which he was navigating officer. He saw much service with the Grand Fleet in the North Sea and elsewhere.

Unlawful possession of eleven tons of empty cartridge cases in correctly described for the purpose of obtaining an export permit, was the charge preferred against a Chinese before Magistrate Lindsell at the Magistrate's yesterday afternoon. The defendant it was alleged exported some of the cases to Canton where it was said, it was only due through the vigilance of the Customs authorities that they were discovered and sent back to Hongkong. Although the cases are not ammunition in the ordinary or deadly sense of the word, as they have no percussion caps, the empty cartridges are included in the category of "ammunition" under Ordinance No. 10 of 1900. The defendant was charged with being alleged to be a part of a consignment of fifty tons from Russia. The case which is said to be a serious one, was remanded until Friday next.

SPECIAL CABLE.

HONGKONG B. N.E.

NEW SHANGHAI BUILDING.

IMPRESSIVE CEREMONY.

[China Mail Special.]

SHANGHAI, May 6.
Most impressive was the ceremony of laying the foundation stone of the Hongkong Bank by Sir Bailey Alston, British Minister at Peking on Thursday. The occasion was rendered remarkable by the presence at the ceremony of Mr. Vivian Dent, his son, and grandson, representing the second, third, and fourth generations, of one of the bank's founders in 1863, Mr. John Dent.

BANK NOTES.

CIRCULATION RETURNS.

Returns of the average amount of bank notes in circulation and of specie in reserve in Hongkong during the month ended April 30, 1921, as certified by the managers of the respective Banks are as follows:

Bank.	Average.	Specie in Reserve.
Chartered Bank of India, Australia and China.	\$11,491,240	\$5,400,000
Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation.	35,293,500	21,000,000
Mercantile Bank of India, Limited.	1,197,722	500,000
Total.	\$47,982,462	\$26,900,000

* Sterling Securities deposited with the Crown Agents valued at \$550,000.
* Securities with the Crown Agents valued at \$180,000.

QUARREL OVER THEFT.

WRONG MAN GETS SCALDING WATER.

The Shaukiwan scalding case was concluded before Magistrate Orme at the Magistrate's this morning when the defendant, an elderly Chinese farmer, was ordered to pay the complainant \$5 as compensation or undergo 14 days' hard labour. He was also required to sign a bond in the sum of \$50, to keep the peace for six months.

Sergeant Logan, who prosecuted, said that the scalding was the result of a quarrel over a small larceny last Sunday. The defendant accused the man living on the floor below him. Heated words followed, and the defendant threw a basin of boiling water at the other man. It missed its object and fell on the complainant, a passer-by who had no part in the quarrel. The defendant said that what he threw was tea. He would not dare to repeat his action again. He did it under great provocation.

"GOT HIS OWN BACK."

A HOOLIGAN FINED.

KINEMA THEATRE DISTURBANCES.

Before Magistrate Orme, at the Magistrate's this morning, a Chinese was charged with having assaulted an attendant of the Taiyat Theatre, Yau-mat.

The defendant said that when he passed the theatre on his way to the market, the complainant and some of his friends assaulted him. On "his way back he saw the complainant alone, and 'got his own back'." The police said that the defendant was one of a gang of hooligans who had caused trouble at the theatre for some time. Last night, they again caused a disturbance, and when the attendant went outside to blow a police whistle, the defendant attacked him with a bamboo pole.

Mr. Ray, managing director of the Hongkong Amusements Ltd., said that he had experienced much trouble from men of the defendant's description who rushed into the theatre without paying for their tickets and when remonstrated with by the foks of the theatre, threatened to assault them. This state of affairs was commonest on Saturdays and holidays, when before half the tickets for which there were seats in the theatre had been sold, the house was packed.

The Magistrate imposed a fine of \$5 and ordered the defendant to sign a bond in the sum of \$50, to be of good behaviour for six months.

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A CLEVER ENTERTAINER.

MAGIC AND MYSTERY.

If there is one quality that stands out more than another in the work of Mr. Percy Abbott and Miss Mildred Sydney who have just concluded a notably successful season of what might aptly be termed magic and mystery at the Victoria Theatre it is the remarkable versatility and originality that marks their performance as one of exceptional merit.

It is all too rarely that Hongkong is afforded the opportunity of enjoying an entertainment so rich in merit, as that which Mr. Abbott and his talented partner present so capably. Both artists are Australians and the success which marked their first appearance down under has followed them all along the world wide trail that a kindly fate has made to include Hongkong.

This clever couple are to appear at different clubs in the Colony next week.

BABY STRANGLED.

A WANCHAI MYSTERY.

The remains of a newly born male Chinese child were yesterday removed by the police to the public mortuary, having been found lying outside a latrine in Ship Street, Wanchai, with a string tied tightly round the neck. The police are making enquiries.

GYMKHANA TO-DAY.

In spite of the rain, it was learned on enquiry at noon today, that the Gymkhana will be held at 3.30 p.m. as advertised.

One fatal case of small-pox was reported yesterday, also a non-fatal case of enteric fever and another of paratyphoid fever. All three cases were Chinese.

At the meeting of the Sanitary Board to be held on Tuesday, May 10, at 4.15 p.m., appointments of Mr. Martin Blake and Bombardier Watson to be 2nd class Sanitary Inspectors will be considered.

The total output of the Kailan Mining Administration's mines for the week ending April 23, 1921, amounted to 98,046 tons and the sales during the period, to 72,659 tons.

The wedding takes place at St. John's Cathedral this afternoon of Mr. Harry Gordon Baxter, of the Chartered Bank, to Miss Dorothea Farmer, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. Farmer, of Shamoen.

Surgeon-Lieutenant H. A. L. Guthrie has been posted to the river steamer "Robin," China Station. This officer was recently serving on the "Hecla," torpedo depot ship, Chatham.

Captain Aubrey Lambert has just succeeded Captain H. S. Curry, D.S.O., to the command of the light cruiser "Cairo," China Squadron, the latter having completed his two years in command. Several other officers of the "Cairo" are due for relief this year.

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ARMED ROBBERS BUSY.

FARMHOUSE ENTERED.

INMATES INTIMIDATED.

While a farmer and his wife were asleep in their house in Kunglung last night, three men, one of whom was armed with a dagger, entered the house about 11.45. The light of a torch carried by one man awoke the farmer who got up to investigate. The man with the dagger seized him by the collar of the coat, and pointing the dagger at his chest, threatened to stab him if he attempted to raise an alarm. While the armed man stood guard over the farmer in a corner of the room, the other two ransacked the house. The noise made by the robbers awoke the farmer's wife. The armed man thereupon man threw pepper in the eyes of both the farmer and his wife, and giving signal to his accomplices, ran out of the house. The robbers took with them clothing and jewellery to the value of \$12.80, and \$5.50 in money.

A NEW BANK.

HONGKONG CONCERN.

SHANGHAI BRANCH OPENED.

The China Specie Bank of Hongkong, incorporated under the Hongkong Company Ordinances has opened a branch in Shanghai at No. 43, Tremislin Road, corner of Honsan Road. The Bank is staffed by an experienced group in men having a long training in banking, the majority having come from the Hongkong head office.

The official opening of the branch took place on May 1 under auspicious circumstances, deposits amounting to \$2,000,000 being received. The Bank will transact all kinds of business such as buying and selling drafts, opening of current accounts, etc., while another feature will be the savings bank department.

The Bank is capitalised at £2,000,000 Sterling and has a Board of Directors in Hongkong. Mr. L. S. Holum is the Chief Manager, the Shanghai Manager will be Mr. Lee Yung-tai and the assistant Manager Mr. Y. C. Yung.

Numerous visitors, foreign and Chinese, called at the Bank, amongst them being General Ho Feng-lin, Defence Commissioner of Shanghai and Sungkong, Mr. Hsu Yuan, Commissioner for Russian and Foreign Affairs in Shanghai, Mr. Wang Keng-ding, the Mayor of Shanghai, Mr. Hsu Kuo-wang, Chief of Chinese Police Commissioner, Fu Siao-en, Sung Han-cheng, Chu Pao-sun, Wang I-ding, Sung Lien-fong, and many others.

TO-DAY'S ADVERTISEMENTS.

PUBLIC MEETING ON THE RATES QUESTION.

THE Joint Committee of the CONSTITUTIONAL REFORM ASSOCIATION and the KOWLOON RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION invite their members and the Public generally to a meeting for the purpose of passing a Resolution against the increase of the House Rates.

The Meeting will be held at the THEATRE at 5.30 PM on WEDNESDAY, the 11th May, 1921, and it is hoped to obtain a large attendance.

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OUTLAWS EXECUTED.

A SUCHIEN HOLIDAY.

WOMEN AFFLICTED ANEMIA.

A China Press Correspondent writes from Suchien, Kiangsu, on April 24.—Yesterday I had the honour of being present at the execution of 11 robbers, 7 of whom had been under arrest less than 24 hours. A large crowd of men, women, and children, numbering at least many hundreds possibly a few thousands, stood about the execution ground. All seemed happy and in good spirits as they waited for the show to begin. In order to realise how much the Chinese here enjoy an execution, we must remember that this is practically their only form of amusement or entertainment. It must take the place of the moving pictures, ladies' sewing circles, various social functions, and innumerable forms of athletic sports.

So rich and poor, young and old, male and female, Buddhist priests and up-to-date students all made up the gay throng. The robbers, with their upper garments removed and their queues wrapped up on their heads, knelt in a row. The executioner, taking his heavy broadsword in both hands, began at the back end of the line, and chopped off heads at a rate of two or more per minute. The performance was heartily applauded by the festive multitude. As soon as all were killed, the crowd pressed forward to inspect the remains more closely.

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At the matinee and 9.15 p.m. performances at the Hongkong Theatre to-day a most amusing comedy-drama will be shown. Ruth Clifford taking the principal part in "The Cafe' girl." A laughable

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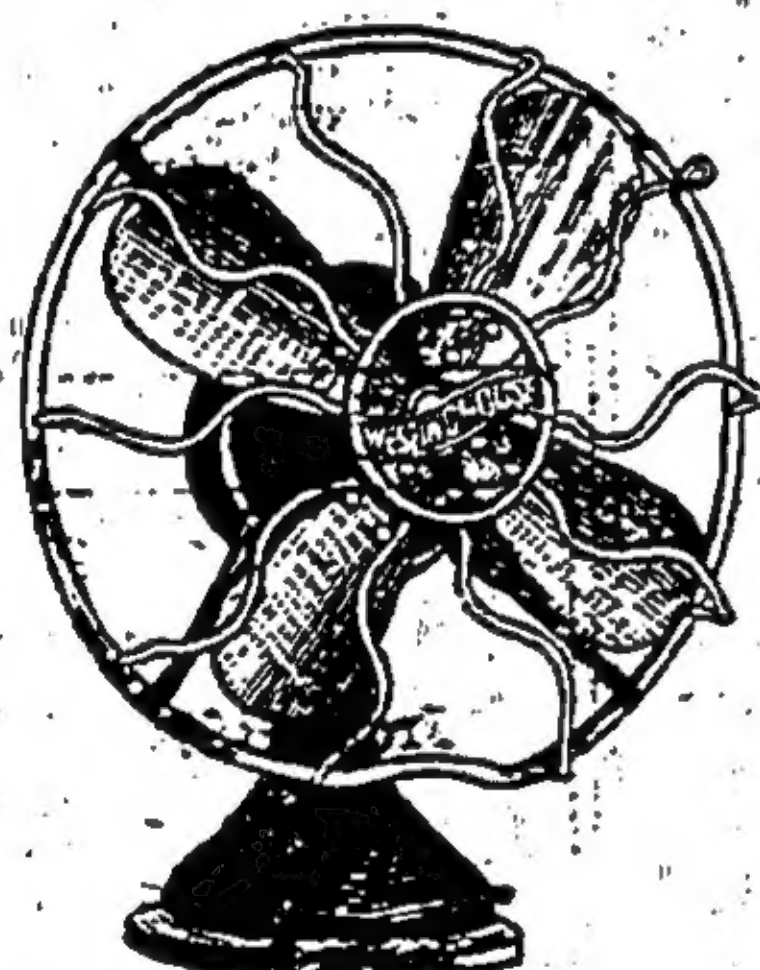
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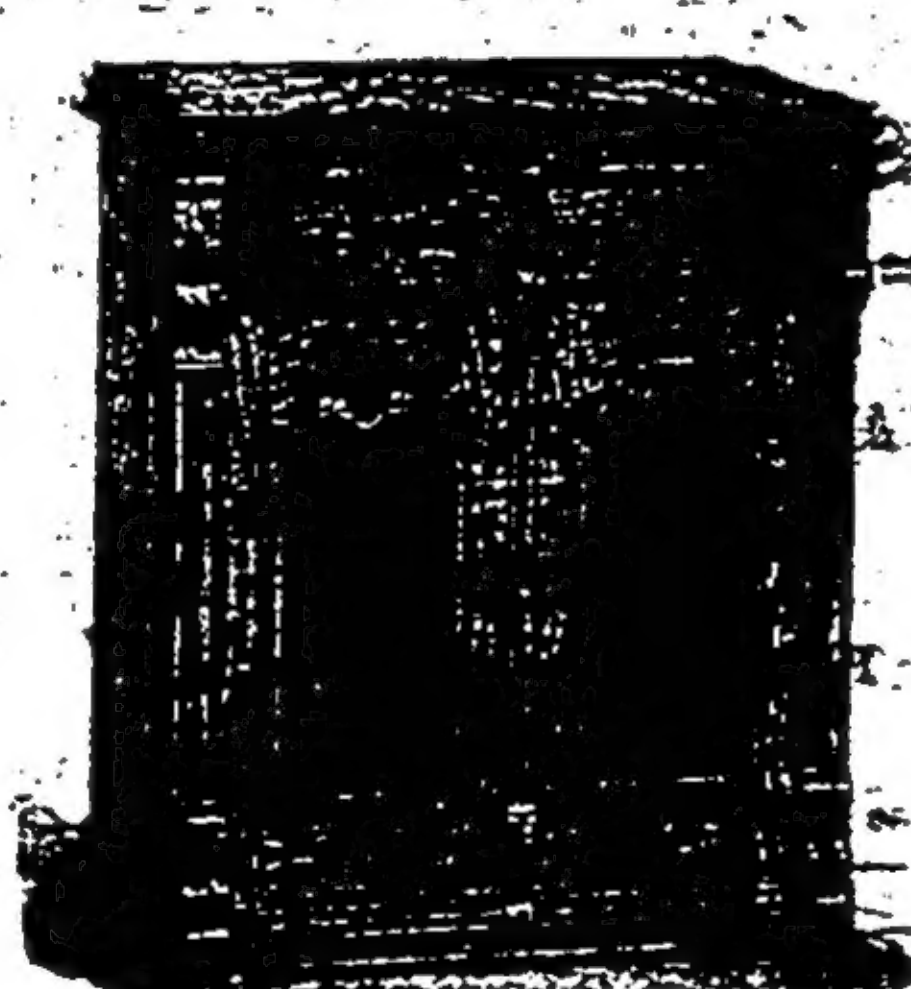
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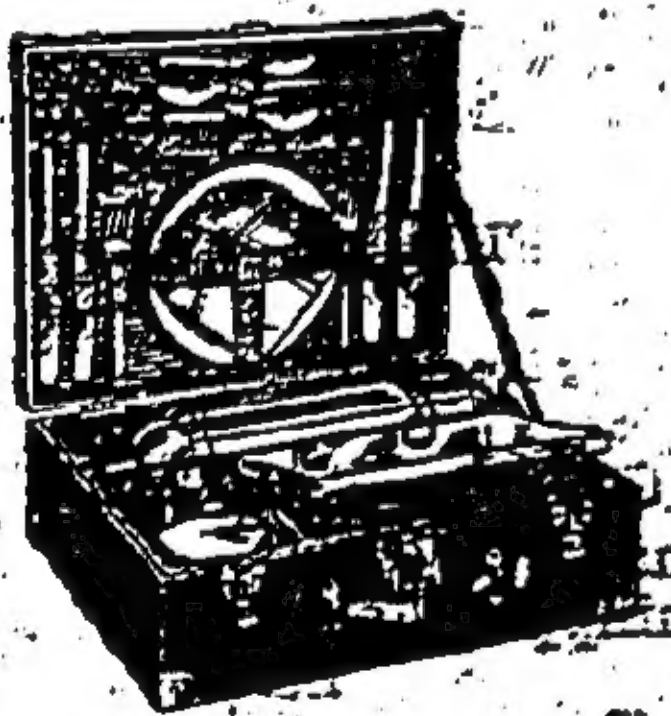
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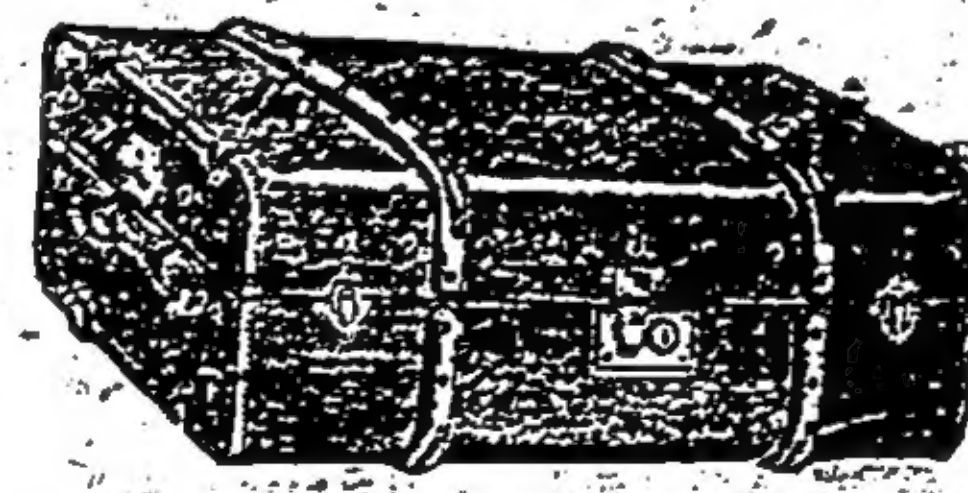
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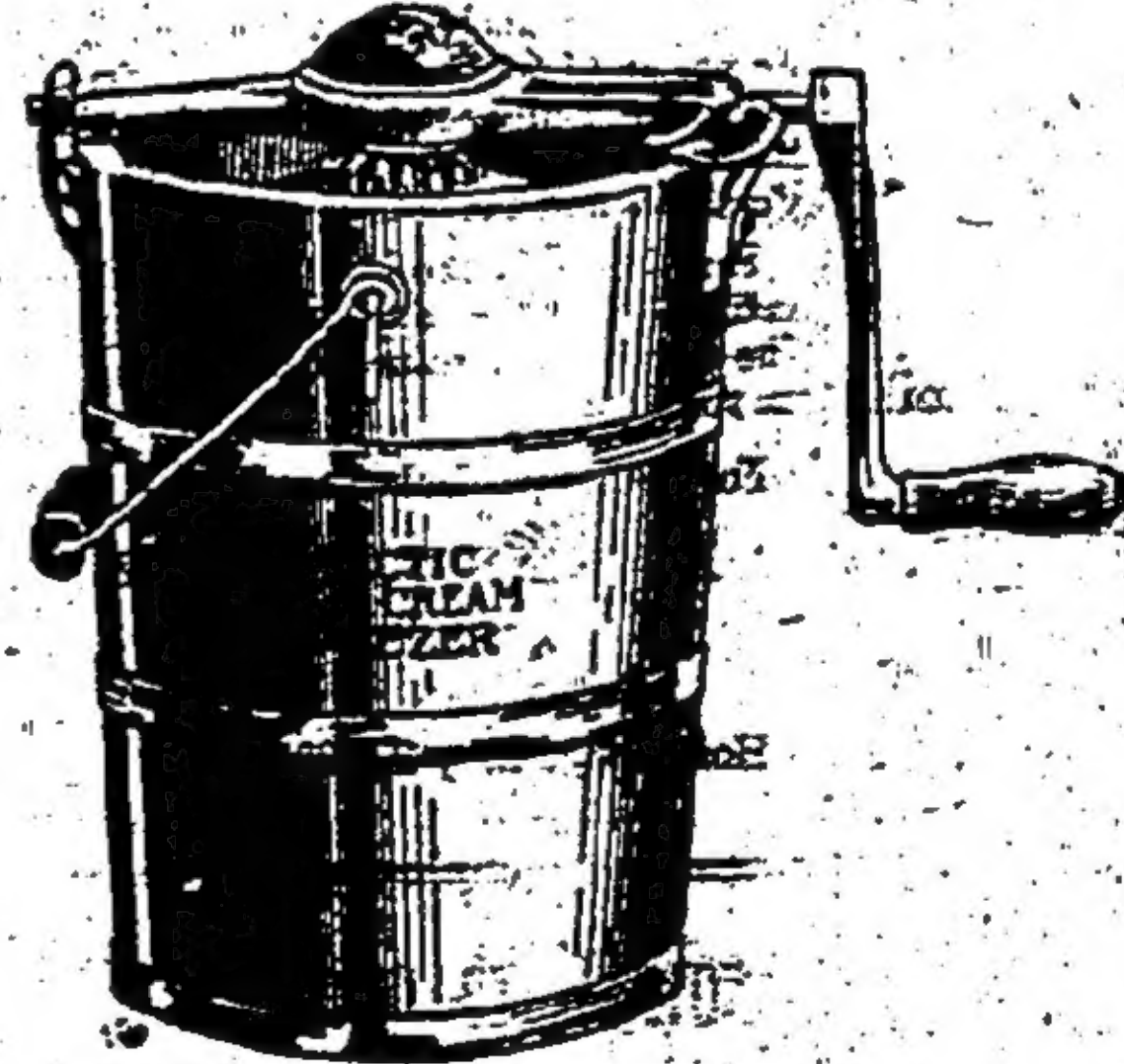
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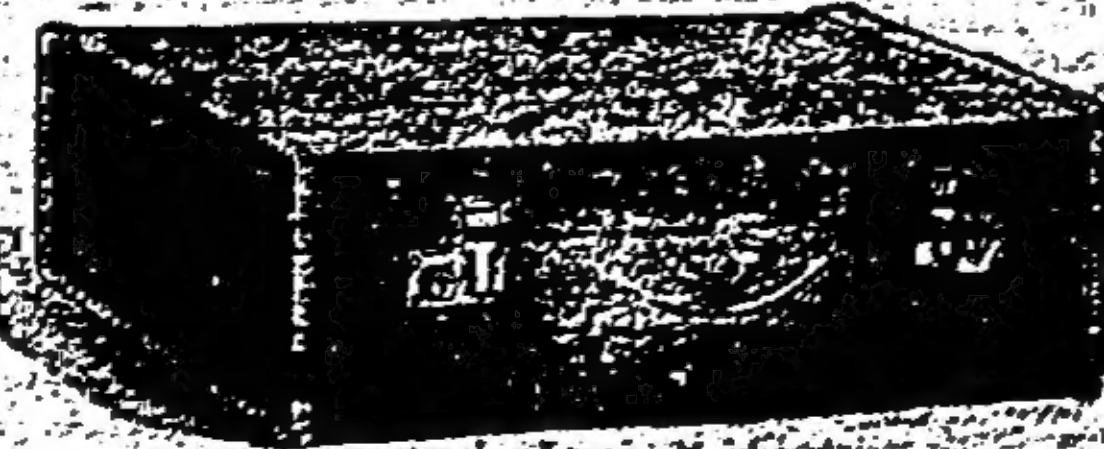
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